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General Information Memorandum

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TO: ISD Employees

FROM: Marilyn Martinez, Director, Income Support Division

RE: Permanent Resident Cards without Signatures Are Acceptable

DATE: July 23, 2015

Since February 2015, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services has been waiving the signature requirement for people entering the United States for the first time as lawful permanent residents if they first obtained an immigrant visa abroad from a US Embassy or consulate.

The Permanent Resident Cards are being issued with "signature waived" on the front and back of the card where the signature was previously. These cards are an acceptable form of verification for identification and resident status. Attached is an example of Permanent Resident Card showing "signature waived".

If you have any questions regarding this GI please contact Suzanne Duran-Vigil at 505-827-7289 or <u>SuzanneP.Duran-Vigi@state.nm.us</u>.

Example of a Green Card without a signature



